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Seek not to have things happen as you choose them, but rather choose them to happen as they do, and so shall you live prosperously.—Epictetus.

Now that you are registered, your next duty is to vote and vote straight.

Get the habit of thinking straight and you are safe to vote straight for Hawaii's prosperity.

For four full weeks the life of the voter will be one long lull—if he likes that sort of thing.

The Democratic Boss is agitating in a way that assures nothing but disaster for Hawaii. Vote down the agitators.

It is better to have sugar stocks hit bedrock now than to hang along for months on brighter hopes and have none of them realized.

Has there anything happened since his nomination that would suggest that Boss McCandless is an agent of prosperity for the business of this Territory?

Wouldn't Hawaii make an exhibition of itself if it should elect a Free-Trade-Party Delegate to Congress, and thus cap the climax of a low price of sugar.

Should McCandless' immigration folly be allowed to prevail, there

would be little or nothing more needed to accomplish a complete disorganization of the sugar industry.

MAKE SITE RESOLUTIONS WITH DELIBERATION.

Again the Bulletin would remind the business organizations of their failings.

Don't explode too quickly on the Federal site question.

Also bear in mind that it will be impossible to put up the proposed Federal building of this city in a manner to make the municipality more nearly perfect architecturally, without stepping on the toes of some private interest.

There has yet to be made a showing that the majority of the citizens of Honolulu are dissatisfied with the Mahuka site in its original or its extended form.

It is obvious, however, that community sentiment has not yet advanced to the point where it is ready to place the beautification of the city and its growth on correct lines of municipal architecture as of more importance than the business convenience of today.

Honolulu, for instance, is not like a great city of Rio de Janeiro, where a waterfront was sacrificed so far as business was concerned in order that the entrance to the port might be beautiful. Honolulu is more like San Francisco that, following its destruction by fire, had the opportunity to rebuild on lines architecturally perfect, but sacrificed that opportunity to the immediate demand of business.

Much as this is to be regretted, it is so.

It is well to remember that, if the Federal building site is to be kicked around the community, and never to find a permanent home until it rests in a location where it will not interfere with any immediate selfish business interest, there will never be any Federal building in the city of Honolulu.

When a community votes a second choice, it gives the supporters of the third and the fourth and the fifth choice, the opportunity they are looking for.

So, gentlemen of the business community, go slow.

Be more than reasonably certain you are right before you tie yourselves up to resolutions that do not put anyone on record nor make a possible monkey of anyone but yourselves.

WHAT PRINCE TSAI'S MISSION MEANS.

According to a reputable Washington correspondent, Prince Tsai, who is making a speedy return to China after a hasty trip to Washington, holds the prestige of Secretary Knox's Oriental policy in the hollow of his hand.

Briefly put, an order for the construction of the major portion of China's new battleships, in the ship yards of the United States will be accepted as a signal of American prestige sustained. If our countrymen get the "short end" of the order, it means that what some have called the "dollar diplomacy" of Secretary Knox has failed.

Up to the present time the movements of the Chinese Prince have been favorable. He confined his tour exclusively to the United States, omitting Europe from his itinerary. This is characterized by the Washington authority as "unprecedented."

The importance of the contract for these ships is intensified, in the opinion of the authorities quoted, on account of Secretary Knox having already lost several points in playing the Oriental diplomatic game with Europe.

One of the unpleasant jars suffered by the State Department was the failure of China to recognize New York capitalists in underwriting the redemption loan for the Hankow-Pekin railway. It was always be-

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lieved that Americans would finance this loan. But they missed it.

Views of New York capitalists are given in the following form as coming from a banker and it should be noted that the facts of diplomacy usually come to the public in some such impersonal style: "The State Department is following an entirely new policy these days. But it is now only in the sense of comparison with former American administrations. It must also be remembered that never heretofore have identical conditions presented themselves before American statesmen for settlement.

"What Mr. Knox is doing these days, so far as the financial interests of this bank show, is no more than Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg would do for Berlin or Hamburg banks. That has been a fixed Germany policy for twenty years, and a casual study of Germany's international interests will show that it is not a losing policy.

"But the present American diplomacy, no matter what it is called, has many loopholes. One is the lack of eternal vigilance. To lose one deal usually means the loss of many other ones. As a result we are at a loss to understand why the underwriting of the almost insignificant Pekin-Hankow bonds has passed unheeded by



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the State Department while Huntington Wilson was Acting Secretary.

"To Wall Street, which is the contributing element in all these deals with China, the British underwriting of those railway bonds has its drawbacks. Hankow lies in such a position as to make it one of the financially vulnerable points of the Chinese railway system now claiming the attention of the powers and of capitalists.

"Hankow was perhaps the discovery of John Pierpont Morgan. He gave its railways the first international interest by financing the Canton-Hankow Railway. To let Great Britain control the other branch, leading into the Chinese capital, seems to us a condition of affairs that ought to have been averted.

"It is but natural that we should feel opposed to any foreign power sharing the benefits from corporations that have received publicity and international importance only through the efforts of American enterprise, American money and American politics."

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China had arranged to let her contracts to European nations or at most to favor the United States in a minor degree." This is represented as the opinion of Wall Street interests interviewed, "and it is also the opinion, though set forth from a different view point, of the Russian, German, French and British diplomats."

"The activities to assure China's clientele in this country have been many-sided. Wall street is acting outwardly through Mr. Schwab, confidentially with Mr. Morgan. The American Government is exerting all pressure through Mr. Knox at Washington and Minister Calhoun at Peking. China, meanwhile, is between this fire and that of the opposition from Europe."

This is the diplomatic treatment from which Prince Tsai is returning. Wall street, hoping to profit financially, will not watch the outcome of the Prince's tour with keener interest than we in this outpost of the Pacific who appreciate the importance to America's future in this part of the world, of maintaining American prestige with the Chinese Empire.

Getting up a "universal" language must be almost as discouraging work as organizing a "third" party—Denver Republican.

The moving picture that talks may be referred to as a speaking likeness.—Albany Journal.

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